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W.R. Grace Attn: Mr. Alan Stringer 317 Mineral Avenue Libby, MT 59923

Dear Mr. Stringer:

Pursuant to the recent changes in W.R. Grace's work plan for cleanup and restoration of the former Export Plant, this memorandum is to provide written assurances that EPA:

- 1. Requested remaining excavated soil from the Export Plant (approximately 1000 cubic yards) be placed at the amphitheater on Rainey Creek Road instead of being hauled to the mine. This was to enable EPA's contractors operating the decontamination station to demobilize at an earlier date and facilitate quicker completion of the work at the Export Plant.
- 2. Does not expect W.R. Grace to handle the soil being placed at Rainey Creek Road any further. EPA assumes responsibility for additional handling and placement of the soil.

Thank you for your cooperation on this matter. I can be reached at (303) 312-6748.

Sincerely,

Jim Christiansen

Remedial Project Manager

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